

**GENERAL AGREEMENT  
ON TARIFFS AND TRADE**

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**Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade**

**NOTIFICATION**

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.4.

1.	Party to Agreement notifying: <u>FRANCE</u>
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Industry, Post and Telecommunications and Foreign Trade, Directorate-General of Industrial Strategies - SQUALPI, 22, rue Monge - 75005 Paris
3.	Notified under Article 2.5.2 [X], 2.6.1 [ ], 7.3.2 [ ], 7.4.1 [ ], other:
4.	Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Fasteners
5.	Title and number of pages of the notified document: Draft Order on the Mandatory Implementation of Standards for Fasteners (3 pages)
6.	Description of content: Any reference made for advertising or information purposes by manufacturers, importers or distributors to the mechanical or functional characteristics or technical performance of fasteners must be determined, expressed and presented by reference to the quality classes or characteristics defined by the Standards NF EN 20898-1, 2 and 6 and NF EN 28839.
7.	Objective and rationale: The purpose of the draft order is to ensure fair competition and protection of consumers of fasteners by providing for clear information for consumers and the elimination of vague and imprecise statements
8.	Relevant documents: Decree No. 84-74 as amended establishing
9.	Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: 20 December 1994
10.	Final date for comments: 31 November 1994
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point (CINORTECH) [X] or address and telefax number of other body: